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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director, NPIC

SUBJECT : Chronology of Events - [REDACTED]

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1. Tuesday, 5 January 1965

a. AM

[REDACTED] received a call from [REDACTED] OSA, requesting NPIC undertake a search of a 40-mile swath along the track of a planned mission [REDACTED] to ascertain the presence or absence of SA-2 sites. [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] would come over here the next morning with the track plot. [REDACTED] informed the Assistant for Operations and gave the necessary information to RB/OS which prepared a requirement for PAG. [REDACTED] verified the requirement and discussed it directly with [REDACTED] of PAG, pointing out that the project was operational in nature and would require special handling by properly-cleared personnel.

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b. PM

[REDACTED] - [REDACTED] received a call from [REDACTED] - OSA/DDS&T to inform him that they were planning [REDACTED] and he would like for NPIC to check the planned track for SA-2 sites within twenty miles each side flight line. He stated this was a short notice he knew, but would like the support if possible. [REDACTED] checked the requirement with [REDACTED] and was told to inform [REDACTED] we would do what we could to support his requirement.

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2. Wednesday, 6 January 1965

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[redacted] arrived here at 0830 and were taken by [redacted] directly to PAG where they outlined the area of concern and their requirement to [redacted]

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[redacted] delivered annotated map sheets to [redacted] at OSA at 1530 hours. [redacted] was present when delivered. Map sheets showed coverages by [redacted] and degree of cloud cover along a wide swath between the coast and [redacted] as advised by [redacted] informed [redacted] that no new SAM sites had been found in the interpretable areas of coverage. [redacted] stated his satisfaction with the NPIC effort.

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[redacted] attended weather briefing on [redacted] Mission delayed 24 hours due to weather. Next briefing to be held 1400 hours, Thursday, 7 January and the go no go briefing (if weather acceptable) at 0100 Friday, 8 January.

3. Thursday, 7 January 1965

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PM - [redacted] determined by phone that weather looked good and the plan was moving forward. Mission number would be [redacted]  
Target - [redacted]

4. Friday, 8 January 1965

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[redacted] stopped off at OSA enroute to work, determined that the flight had taken off as planned and that it was not due to return until 1230 hours local time. He picked up a copy of the 8 x 10 reproduction of the mission track and prepared a large overlay of the track from the briefing map. These he brought back to NPIC and delivered the first-stated to CSD and PAG, and the latter to TID. He learned at this time that a weather briefing would be held at 1400 hours that afternoon for [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[ ] returned to OSA for the 1400 hour briefing. Present, among others, were Col. Ledford, [ ]. Weather forecast was good and Col. Ledford gave okay to plan for the mission but to defer it to Sunday to give the [ ] adequate time between the missions to prepare the new one. He set the go no go briefing for 0100 hours Sunday providing weather remained good. Tentative flight take-off was scheduled for 1000Z Sunday, 10 January. He recalls no mention of concern of SAMs along the route. At that time, of course, the specific flight plan had not been prepared.

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5. Sunday, 10 January 1965

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[ ] - [ ] received call from OSA to inform him that a U-2 aircraft had been lost approximately 40 miles from target. He left word for Col. Ledford if there was any support he would need from NPIC [ ] would be home.

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[ ] notified Mr. Lundahl and [ ] He also notified [ ]

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[ ] received call from [ ] requesting a check on shoot down area for SA-2 Sites where the U-2 was lost. This was done the first thing Monday, 11 December, from overlay delivered by [ ] of the actual track. This resulted in the finding of two SAM Sites as reported by PAG.

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6. Monday, 11 January 1965

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[ ] stopped off at OSA enroute to work and made an overlay copy of the planned track and actual track for [ ] from the briefing map. This was furnished PAG. It was noted that known SAM sites in the general area of the track were plotted (as is usual) on the OSA OPS map. None were shown in [ ]

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At this time OSA was informed that NPIC has located one SAM site but he had no particulars on the find and that a cable would be released very soon.

was called by for the coordinates of the SAM located. These were furnished to him.

Cable was released giving information on SAM sites located during search of photography by PAG.

7. Attached are enclosures 1 through 7 on the existing requirements levied on NPIC as of 1 November through 14 January for

Enclosures: 7 Requirements

- 1 - N 1090-64
- 2 - N 1104-64
- 3 - N 1104-64 (Addition)
- 4 - N 1173-64
- 5 - 11032-5
- 6 - 11037-5
- 7 - 11038-5
- 8 - 11022-5

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